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HOUSE BILL 771

43RD LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 1997

INTRODUCED BY

RICK MIERA

AN ACT

RELATING TO LICENSING; EXTENDING THE TIME PERIOD IN WHICH
SUBSTANCE ABUSE COUNSELORS MAY BE LICENSED WITHOUT TAKING AN
EXAMINATION; AMENDING A SECTION OF THE COUNSELING AND THERAPY
PRACTICE ACT.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

Section 1. Section 61-9A-21.1 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1996,
Chapter 61, Section 9) is amended to read:

"61-9A-21.1. SUBSTANCE ABUSE COUNSELORS--LICENSURE WITHOUT
EXAMINATION. --An applicant for licensure as an alcohol and drug
abuse counselor, an alcohol abuse counselor or a drug abuse
counselor may be licensed without examination if the applicant
files a completed application postmarked on or before ~~January~~
~~4]~~ December 31, 1997, accompanied by the required fees, and if
the board determines that the applicant meets the following

1 requirements for licensure:

2 A. for licensure as an alcohol and drug abuse
3 counselor:

4 (1) the applicant submits verification of
5 current nationally certified alcohol and drug abuse counselor
6 certification or its equivalent; or

7 (2) the applicant meets the educational
8 requirements set forth in the Counseling and Therapy Practice
9 Act and has been engaged in the practice of alcohol and drug
10 abuse counseling for three of the previous four years or has
11 acquired four thousand client contact hours under appropriate
12 supervision primarily in the practice of alcohol and drug abuse
13 counseling and is of good moral character;

14 B. for licensure as an alcohol abuse counselor:

15 (1) the applicant submits verification of
16 current nationally certified alcohol abuse counselor
17 certification or its equivalent; or

18 (2) the applicant meets the educational
19 requirements set forth in the Counseling and Therapy Practice
20 Act and has been engaged in the practice of alcohol abuse
21 counseling for three of the previous four years or has acquired
22 four thousand client contact hours primarily in the practice of
23 alcohol abuse counseling and is of good moral character; or

24 C. for licensure as a drug abuse counselor:

25 (1) the applicant submits verification of

1 current nationally certified alcohol and drug abuse counselor
2 certification or its equivalent; or

3 (2) the applicant meets the educational and
4 training requirements set forth in the Counseling and Therapy
5 Practice Act and has been engaged in the practice of drug abuse
6 counseling for three of the previous four years or has acquired
7 four thousand client contact hours primarily in the practice of
8 drug abuse counseling and is of good moral character."

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**State of New Mexico
House of Representatives**

FORTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE
FIRST SESSION, 1997

February 27, 1997

Mr. Speaker:

Your BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY COMMITTEE, to whom has
been referred

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has had it under consideration and reports same with
recommendation that it DO PASS, and thence referred to the
APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Respectfully submitted,

Fred Luna, Chairman

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Date _____

The roll call vote was 9 For 0 Against

Yes: 9

Excused: Alwin, Lutz, Varela

Absent: Getty

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**State of New Mexico
House of Representatives**

**FORTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE
FIRST SESSION, 1997**

March 7, 1997

Mr. Speaker:

**Your APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCE COMMITTEE, to
whom has been referred**

HOUSE BILL 771

**has had it under consideration and reports same with
recommendation that it DO PASS.**

Respectfully submitted,

Max Coll, Chairman

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2 Adopted _____ Not Adopted _____

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7 The roll call vote was 10 For 0 Against

8 Yes: 10

9 Excused: Garcia, M H. , Knowles, Marquardt, Picraux, Salazar,
10 Taylor, J. P. , Watchman

11 Absent: None

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FORTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE
FIRST SESSION, 1997

March 17, 1997

Mr. President:

Your PUBLIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE, to whom has been referred

HOUSE BILL 771

has had it under consideration and reports same with recommendation that it DO PASS.

Respectfully submitted,

Shannon Robinson, Chairman

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Date _____

The roll call vote was 5 For 0 Against

Yes: 5

No: 0

Excused: Rodarte, Smith, Ingle, Vernon

Absent: None

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